



March 8, 2010

Ms. Cynthia T. Brown Chief, Section of Administration Office of Proceedings Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20423-0001

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Re:

BNSF Railway Company - Abandonment Exemption - In King County,

Washington, Finance Docket No. AB-6 (Sub-No. 463X)

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Dear Ms. Brown:

I am enclosing an original and ten (10) copies of the Notice of King County, Washington, of Consummation of Trail Use Agreement in the above referenced proceedings. An additional copy is enclosed for date stamp and return to our messenger. Please note that a compact disk is enclosed with this document.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Enclosures

All Parties of Record cc:

CONTAINS COLOR MAPS

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BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY – ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION – IN KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

(Redmond Spur, MP 0.00 to MP 7.30)

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(Woodinville Subdivision, MP 5.00 to MP 10.60)

STB Docket No. AB-6 (Sub-No. 465X)

BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY – ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION – IN KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

(Woodinville Subdivision, MP 11.25 to MP 23.80)

NOTICE OF CONSUMMATION OF TRAIL USE AGREEMENT

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NOTICE OF CONSUMMATION OF TRAIL USE AGREEMENT

King County, Washington, a political subdivision of the State of Washington (the "County"), hereby submits this notice that the County has entered into a trail use agreement with the BNSF Railway Company ("BNSF"), the abandoning railroad, for the following segments (collectively, the "Line"): (a) the Redmond Spur. the subject of a request for abandonment in Docket No. STB AB-6 (Sub-No. 463X), which extends from railroad milepost 0.00 in Woodinville, to railroad milepost 7.30, near Redmond, a distance of 7.30 miles in King County, Washington; (b) a segment of the Woodinville Subdivision extending from railroad milepost 5.00 in Kennydale, to railroad milepost 10.60, at Wilburton, a distance of 5.60 miles in King County, Washington, the subject of a request for abandonment in Docket No. STB AB-6 (Sub-

No. 464X); and (c) a segment of the Woodinville Subdivision extending from railroad milepost 11.25 near Wilburton, to railroad milepost 23.80, near Woodinville, a distance of 12.55 miles in King County, Washington, the subject of a request for abandonment in Docket No. STB AB-6 (Sub-No. 465X). A map of the Line is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

The Board issued a notice of interim trail use ("NITU") for each segment of the Line in Decisions (a) in AB-6 (Sub-No. 463X) and AB-6 (Sub-No. 464X) on October 27, 2008, and (b) in AB-6 (Sub-No. 465X) on November 28, 2008. The Board granted extensions of time to negotiate a trail use agreement on May 12, 2009, and November 3, 2009, in all three proceedings. The trail use negotiating period was most recently extended to April 20, 2010.

The Port of Seattle (the "Port") owns the real estate associated with the Line, which it acquired from BNSF on December 17, 2009. The Port has granted the County a public multipurpose easement over the Line to permit the County to exercise its railbanking authority.¹

¹ In Finance Docket No. 35148, the Board granted King County's request to be permitted, as the trail sponsor, to acquire the right to reactivate freight rail service on the line, therefore divesting BNSF of any residual interest it would otherwise have retained as the abandoning railroad. King County, WA – Acquisition Exemption – BNSF Ry. Co., STB Finance Docket No. 35148 (Service Date Sept. 18, 2009), slip op. at 3-4.

The County has executed a statement of willingness to assume financial responsibility in accordance with the requirements of 16 USC 1247(d) and 49 CFR 1152.29(a) ("SWAFR"). That statement was previously submitted to this Board on September 18, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

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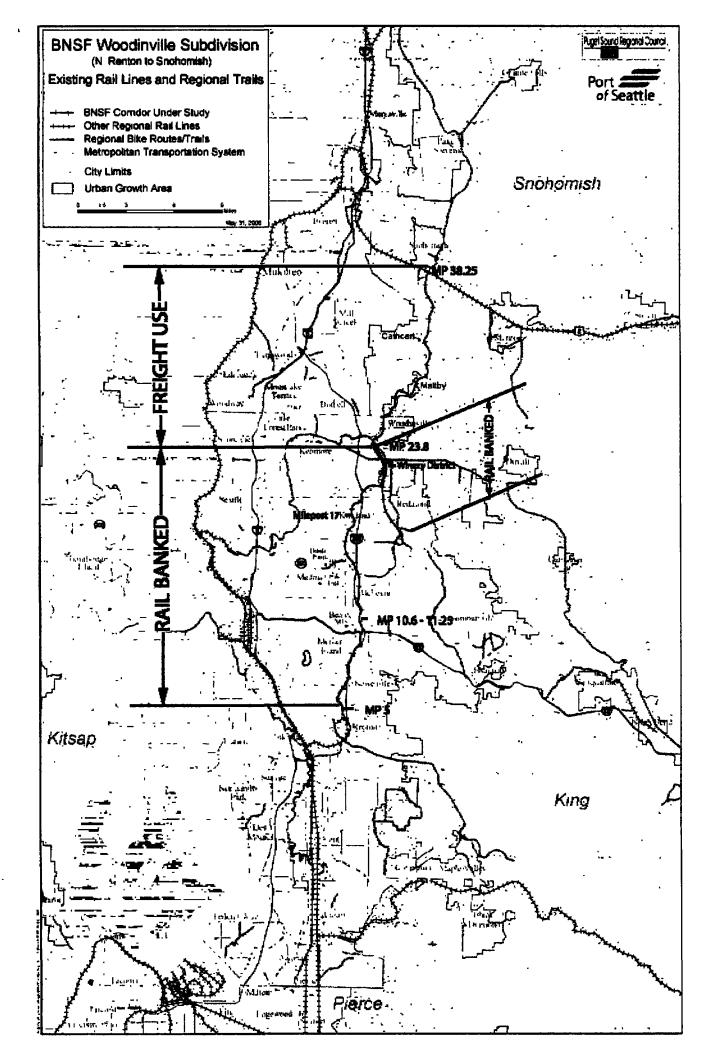
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Counsel for King County, Washington

Dated: March 8, 2010

Exhibit A

Map of the Railbanked Portions of Woodinville Subdivision and Redmond Spur [attached hereto]



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day caused to be served a copy of the foregoing NOTICE OF KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, OF CONSUMMATION OF TRAIL USE

AGREEMENTS, upon the following parties of record in this proceeding by first class mail with postage prepaid and properly addressed:

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Dated this 8th day of March, 2010